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#### AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is a preliminary amendment for this application.

#### **STATUS**

2. Applicant is an independent inventor. A statement was already filed.

### **EXTENSION OF TERM**

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified patent application a first time as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin in page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.